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JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA ON SEPT. 7 AFTERNOON (LOCAL TIME) COMPLETED HIS OFFICIAL ITINERARY IN IRAN IN THE FIRST LEG OF HIS MIDDLE EAST FOUR-COUNTRY TRIP. THERE FOLLOWS EXTRACTS FROM THE NIHON KEIZAI:

1. SHAH PAHLAVI OF IRAN, WHEN VISITED BY FUKUDA, INDICATED THAT IRAN MUST SECURE POST-OIL NATIONAL INCOME SOURCES, AND DESIRED JAPAN'S COOPERATION IN IRANIAN INDUSTRIALIZATION. FUKUDA IN RESPONSE EXPRESSED HOPE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MUTUAL RELATIONS. FUKUDA REQUESTED THAT IRAN GO AHEAD WITH MODERATE OIL PRICING POLICY. FUKUDA AND SHAH EXCHANGED VIEWS ON OIL PRICE ISSUE, BUT IT IS REPORTED THAT SHAH MADE NO PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO AN OIL PRICE RAISE.

2. JAPANESE AND IRANIAN GOVERNMENTS ISSUED JOINT COMMUNIQUE CONCERNING FUKUDA'S VISIT TO IRAN. FOLLOWING ARE EXTRACTS FROM THE COMMUNIQUE:

A. IRANIAN PREMIER SHARIF-EMAMI REFERRED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSIAN GULF AS A MAIN SUPPLY ROUTE OF ENERGY
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RESOURCES FOR JAPAN AND OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES, AND STATED THAT THIS AREA SHOULD NOT BE SUBJECTED TO FOREIGN INTERVENTION. FUKUDA SHOWED FULL UNDERSTANDING FOR EMAMI'S VIEW.

B. FUKUDA AND AMAMI AGREED UPON CONTINUATION OF CLOSE COOPERATION IN IRAN'S OIL EXPORTS TO JAPAN AND IN JAPAN'S

TECHNICAL TRANSFERS TO IRAN. THE SIDES REAFFIRMED THE
NEED FOR PROMOTING COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY,
PARTICULARLY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OIL-ALTERNATE ENERGY.
THEY AGREED TO CONDUCT CONSULTATIONS FOR THE PROMOTION OF
ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION.
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